

## **PANDAS CLUB RULES – (Issue Nov 2017)**

### **USE IN ADDITION TO BMFA HANDBOOK, ANO & JMA/GTBA GUIDE – REPLACES ALL PREVIOUS EDITIONS**

1. All members must operate their models lawfully & within the Wakefield council licence.
2. Members must carry proof of their **BMFA** insurance or **PANDAS** club card and comply with the instructions given by the officer of the day or any committee member present.
3. Members must, using the red flags provided, designate a flight line relevant to the weather conditions at the time, at least 30 mtrs. from the car parking area. This applies to all flyers, even if attending the site unaccompanied.
4. PANDAS do not allow multitotor racing or practicing such race techniques when flying at high speeds & low to the ground.
5. All model flying shall be in front of the flight line, no flying over the model pits area, parked vehicles, the playing field areas or the approach road (except C/L flying). Models must be controlled to fly within our allotted boundaries. All R/C pilots must position themselves at the flight line while flying their models. Control line & Discus Launch Glider flying is allowed on the helicopter flying area when this area is not in use.
6. Members who have not passed the appropriate BMFA 'A' test, may only fly when accompanied on the flight line by someone who is capable in that discipline, and holds a minimum BMFA 'A' cert, & able to fly the same mode as the member if not on a buddy lead. New or lapsed members who hold a BMFA 'A' cert. will be checked by an examiner or an instructor before being allowed to fly solo. Multirotors may be flown solo by members who have passed an 'A' fixed wing or rotary wing certificates.
7. Gas turbine models or models weighing 7kg or over must be fitted with a working failsafe operating the throttle to tick over or stop. The pilot must be BMFA 'B' certificate qualified with a BMFA 'A' (or above) certificate assistant in attendance.
8. Engines must only be started/run & ESC's armed in a designated start up area between the pits & the flight line. Engines are to be adequately silenced & models are to be restrained. Models are not to be left in the starting areas.
9. Models must not be taxied behind the flight line or directly towards the pilot after landing.
10. If flying on 35Mhz, a relative frequency number must be clearly displayed on your transmitter, plus an orange pennant or ribbon. The frequency peg board must be deployed.
11. Allocation of 35Mhz frequencies is as follows: Fixed wing aircraft 55 to 80 inclusive (34.950 to 35.200 Mhz)  
helicopters 81 to 90 inclusive (35.210 to 35.300 Mhz).
12. Uninsured guest's names & details must be entered in the guest book.
13. Site entry must be via our entrance gate only. The gate must be closed & locked on each entry/exit. Vehicles should not deviate from the surfaced track, & safely driven & at a maximum speed of 10 mph. Remember you're in a public park.
14. Strictly no model flying on a race day (the whole 24 hours) or other days indicated by the committee. Non-observance of this rule will lead to immediate suspension of membership.
15. All incidents involving or potentially involving injury/damage must be reported to the committee as soon as possible & within 24 hours, & recorded in the incident book located in the cabin.
16. The only models allowed to fly on Sunday mornings up to 12 noon at the fixed wing site are Silent flight & electric powered.
17. All club members will act as safety officers when at the club site to ensure members & the general public are not exposed to any unacceptable risk.

BMFA guidance recommends all mobile phones should be turned off in the pits & flight line areas. See BMFA hand book for more details.

**These rules will remain in force until the next EGM or AGM.**